A child cannot be taken from a parent's care by CPS without a reason. It takes a court order. This chart shows the order of events throughout your child's involvement with DSHS.

	Children's Administration Dependency Timeline  DEPENDENCY PROCESS TIMELINE - PERMANENCY PLANNING THROUGHOUT THE ENTIRE LIFE OF CASE												
CPS Referral	Child placed into protective custody (by law enforcement or by court order)		Shelter Care	Fact Finding Hearing (within 75 days of filing a petition)		First Dependency Review Hearing		Dependency Review Hearing	Ongoing Reviews				
	72 Hour Maximum		30 Days		90 Days	6 Months	12 Months	18 Months	Every 6 Months				

A child remains a dependent of Washington State for safety and services until parent(s) are willing and able to safely provide care on their own; or, until another safe permanent home is found.

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	Other	
	Father Support Person	
	School/Daycare	
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	Child's Social Worker	
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Fathers are important to their children's well-being. This card has information on supports and services available to you when the child welfare system is involved with your child.

## TIPS FOR FATHERS

If the Department of Social and Health Services Child Protective Services or Family Assessment Response is involved in your child's life, you may have many questions about your rights and responsibilities. To help you understand them, you may contact your child's social worker, whose name and contact information is on the back of this card. This card contains basic information on court processes and places where you can go for assistance. Remember, you are important to your child's well-being.

## When interacting with child welfare service workers or the courts:

- Stay focused on the well-being of your child
- Be on time for and attend all court hearings and meetings regarding your child.
  Do your best to stay calm. Dress professionally, bring all of the paperwork that has been requested, and pay attention to those who are speaking.
- Showing respect for others involved in your child's life sets a good example for the child.

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## **RESOURCES**

I need help with child care	http://wa.childcareaware.org Child Care Aware of Washington 1-800-416-4321		
I need information on domestic violence programs	https://www.dshs.wa.gov/ca/domestic-violence Washington State Domestic Violence Hotline 1-800-562-6025		
I would like to apply for income assistance	https://www.dshs.wa.gov/esa/community- services-offices/how-apply-services 1-877-501-2233		
l need help with food	www.foodhelp.wa.gov/ 1-800-501-2223		— Score her
I need medical insurance	www.wahbexchange.org Health Benefits Exchange 1-800-923-4633		
I have questions about child support	www.dshs.wa.gov/dcs/		
I need information on housing	https://www.dshs.wa.gov/esa/community- services-offices/housing-and-essential-needs		